MINUTES OF THE SENATE WORKFORCE SERVICES & COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING COMMITTEE ROOM 215, SENATE BUILDING JANUARY 30, 2012

Members Present: Sen. Stuart C. Reid, Committee Chair

Sen. Patricia W. Jones Sen. Karen W. Morgan Sen. Aaron Osmond Sen. Jerry Stevenson

Pres. Michael G. Waddoups

Member Absent: Sen. Ralph Okerlund

Staff Present: Mr. Ben Christensen, Policy Analyst

Ms. Karen Allred, Committee Secretary

A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Chair Reid called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Sen. Osmond moved to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2012 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Morgan absent for the vote.

H.B. 22 Centralized New Hire Registry Act Amendments (Rep. J. Peterson)

Rep. Peterson introduced and explained the bill.

Spoke for the bill: Bill Starks, Director, Unemployment Insurance Division, Utah

Department of Workforce Services

MOTION: Sen. Osmond moved to send H.B. 22 out with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Morgan absent for the vote.

H.B. 249 1st Sub: Single Family Zoning Designation (D. Sanpei)

Rep. Sanpei introduced and explained the bill.

Spoke for the bill: Jodi Hoffman, Lobyist, Utah League of Cities and Towns

Mike Ostermiller, Lobyist, Utah Association of Realtors

MOTION: Sen. Jones moved to sent H.B. 249 out with a favorable recommendation. The

motion passed unanimously.

S.B. 130 Workers' Compensation Coordination of Benefits Amendments (Sen. K. Mayne)

Sen. Mayne introduced and explained the bill. Richard Burke, Attorney, Utah Association for Justice further explained the bill and answered questions from the committee.

MOTION: Sen. Osmund moved to amend **S.B. 130** as follows:

- 1. Page 2, Lines 51 through 53:
 - 51 (a) the employee has { filed } reported a workers' compensation claim; and
 - 52 (b) (i) the particular workers' compensation claim has not been paid within { 120} 46 days
 - 53 <u>after the employee</u> { filed } <u>reported</u> <u>the claim with the employer's workers'</u> compensation carrier; or

President Waddoups suggested modifications to the ammendment as follows:

- 1. Page 2, Lines 51 through 53:
 - 51 (a) the employee has { filed } reported a workers' compensation claim to the employer; and
 - 52 (b) (i) the particular workers' compensation claim has not been paid within { 120} 46 days
 - 53 <u>after the employee</u> { <u>filed</u> } <u>reported</u> <u>the claim</u> { <u>with the employer's workers'</u> <u>to the employer</u> ; or

Sen. Osmond accepted the modifications to his motion to amend.

The motion passed unanimously.

Spoke for the bill: Brent Black, injured worker; Casey Hill, Utah Medical Association

Spoke against the bill: Kelly Atkinson, Executive Director, Utah Health Insurance

Association: Vaughn Holbrook, Lobbyist, Regence Blue Cross; Dennis Lloyd, Senior Vice President, Workers Compensation Fund

Spoke to the bill: Alan Hennebold, Department of Commerce, Legislative Counsel,

Utah Labor Commission

Sen. Reid relinquished the committee chair to Sen. Osmond.

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MOTION: Sen. Stevenson moved to hold S.B. 130.

The motion passed unanimously with President Waddoups and Chair Reid absent for the vote.

Sen. Mayne requested further study and reporting as part of an interim study.

MOTION: Sen. Jones moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with President Waddoups and Chair Reid absent for the vote. Sen. Osmond adjourned the meeting at 3:25 p.m.

Sen. Stuart Reid, Committee Chair